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SUBJECT: TRILATERAL IRAN-USSR-FRG GAS DEAL

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1. REF B PARA 2B SUBSTANTIALLY ANSWERS QUERY OF REF A PARA 6. OUR UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE DEAL STANDS IS AS FOLLOWS: LAST FALL RUHR-GAS REPORTEDLY SIGNED LETTER OF INTENT WITH NIGC (NATIONAL IRANIAN AS CO) TO PURCHASE 10 BILLION CUBIC METER PER YEAR (1 BILLION CF/DAY) IN THREE WAY DEAL WITH USSR, AND USSR AND GOI SIGNED ECONOMIC PROTOCOL WHICH INCLUDED DECLARATION OF INTENT TO CARRY OUT SAME PROJECT. NIGC'S INTEREST SEEMS TO BE IN RECEIVING ALL OR MOST OF HARD CURRENCY INCOME GENERATED BY PROJECT VIA DIRECT PAYMENT FROM W. GERMANY TO NIGC. IN RETURN NIGC WOULD SUPPOSEDLY DELIVER ADDITIONAL GAS TO THE USSR. (WE TOO UNDERSTAND SOVIETS ARE TALKING OF 1.3 BILLION CF/DAY).

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2. AS FAR AS WE KNOW, NO ARRANGEMENTS ON THESE POINTS NOR ON

FINANCING HAVE YET BEEN WORKED OUT. OUR FRG COLLEAGUES HERE ARE
HIGHLY OPTIMISTIC THAT THIS PROJECT WILL COME TO FRUITION.
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